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C O N F I D E N T I A L NAIROBI 2408

E.O.; 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: THIRD LOS CONFERENCE: KENYA VIEWS

REF: STATE 054588

1. PURSUANT INSTRUCTIONS REFTEL, POL COUNSELTR CALLED MARCH 10 ON ACTING CHIEF MFA LEGAL DIVISION WAITITU. WAITITU SAID HEAD OF LEGAL DIVISION ADEDE AND ANOTHER GOK EXPERT ON LOS (NJENGA, PREVIOUSLY ASSIGNED KENYA UN MISSION) ARE BOTH IN NEW YORK FOR UPCOMING LOS CONFERENCE SESSION. THEY HAVE "FULL POWERS" TO NEGOTIATE LANGUAGE OF FINAL LOS DRAFT TO BE SUBMITTED TO GOVERNMENTS FOR RATIFICATION. HENCE WAITITU THOUGHT IT UNNECESSARY (AND WE AGREE) FOR U.S. TO APPROACH HIGH-LEVEL OFFICIALS IN NAIROBI AT THIS TIME. WAITITU SAID GOK AGREES FULLY WITH U.S. THAT TIME HAS COME TO SETTLE OUTSTANDING ISSUES BY COMPROMISE, RECOGNIZING THAT MOST
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PARTICIPANTS CANNOT AFFORD BURDENS OF LOS CONFERENCE

INDEFINITELY, NOR CAN DOMESTIC AND INTERNATIONAL
POLITICAL PRESSURES BE STAVED OFF MUCH LONGER.

2. WAITITU PROMISED TO BRIEF FOREIGN MINISTER ON
U.S. SENSE OF URGENCY, FOR WHICH PURPOSE WE LEFT
TALKING PAPER CONTAINING POINTS IN PARA 4 REFTEL.
HE OFFERED TO INFORM KENYA DEL OF OUR APPROACH,
AND WE EXPRESSED HOPE KENYANS IN NEW YORK WOULD
FEEL FREE TO DISCUSS SPECIFIC ISSUES WITH USDEL.
WAITITU HAD NO COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS ON OUT-
STANDING SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES.
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